

NEWS AND GOSSIP OF THE DAY IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS

STEWARDS MAY LOOK INTO WORK OF ORTHODOX

Improvement of Hayman's Colt Causes Gossip.

STAKE EVENTS ON CARD

Jockey Hicks to Ride in the South—Today's Program a Fair One.

It is probable that the stewards of the meeting now in progress at Benning will make a thorough investigation of the running of M. L. Hayman's colt Orthodox, winner of the Grand Consolation Stakes on Saturday. The colt's complete reversal of form was so apparent to even the casual observer that some action on the part of the racing officials seems necessary for the good of the turf. It may be that the owner of Orthodox is innocent of any wrongdoing, but the fact remains that no horse could make such a remarkable improvement in two days as Orthodox did.

The statement was made on Thursday after Orthodox had been so disgracefully beaten by ordinary two-year-olds that Mr. Hayman was dissatisfied with the way in which Wonderly rode his horse, but there were many good judges who declared that Wonderly had done all he could with his mount. Whatever may have been the cause of the poor showing by Orthodox on Thursday and his wonderful improvement on Saturday, there appears to be good reason for official investigation, and it is sincerely to be hoped that the stewards will not dismiss the matter with a perfunctory inquiry.

Stake Events on Card.

Several stake events are on the program for this week. On Thanksgiving Day the feature will be the Washington Cup race at two and one-quarter miles. This race has always been popular with local horse lovers and it will doubtless prove so this year. Among the good ones eligible are River Pirate, Igniter, Sheriff Bell, Colonsay, Circus, Wild Thyme, Gladstone, Lord Badge, Highlander and Caribuncle. Two other stakes of interest are on the program. The Vestal will be run on Wednesday and the Hunters' Champion Steeplechase on Saturday.

Hicks Goes to New Orleans.

The crack negro rider Hicks will not be seen in the saddle at Benning again this meeting. He and his employer, A. J. Pique, left for New Orleans last night.

A Monday Card.

Today's card is the usual Monday program—seven races in all. The first leg is carded in the first. Nine Spot, The Guardsman and Scortie look to be the best of the lot. A number of promising maiden two-year-olds will sport in the second, and a corresponding number of the same in the third. A low Hammer is the class, but he does not seem to be good. If he is fit, this horse should win, with Gold Dome, Cantaloupe and Niskayuna fighting out the finish with him.

Draughtsmen will doubtless be favorite for the hurdle race, but if Trapezoid jumps as well in the race as he does in private he will take some beating. Meteorite should also go well. Peter Paul and Retenit ought to be in the front at the end of the fourth race, but Juvenal Maxim and Marjoram will run well. The fifth race looks to be an easy thing for Dramatist if he has a good boy on him. Arden and McWilliams are the contenders. The handicap at a mile, last on the card, should be a good betting race. Caribuncle, despite his heavy weight, ought to win, as he is very good just now. Wild Pirate should run some, and Caribuncle will have to do his best to beat him. April Shower should be third.

DANCING A COMMON BIRD ACCOMPLISHMENT

Legs before wings seems a strange choice for a bird in a critical contest. That many possessors of wings—kings of the air—depend upon their legs for winning a mate, is an inexplicable freak of that most eccentric period in the lives of man and beast, courtship days. Yet dancing is not an uncommon bird accomplishment. Our Western prairie hen is a well-known dancer. The sandhill crane finds his long legs especially convenient for "tripping the light fantastic too." The solemn, matter-of-fact flicker, or golden-winged woodpecker, indulges in a remarkable performance, as stately as the minuet of our great-grandfathers. No feathered dancer is more graceful and spirited than our own mockingbird. Standing opposite each other (for both birds take part in it), the pair move from side to side "chasing" with minding steps, "turning partners," and quite comically emulating the ballroom maneuvers we are familiar with. In one case, after various evolutions, all in most dignified manner, the dance came to an end with striking figure, one of the pair with no apparent use of the wings, suddenly leaping over the head of his vis-a-vis, who as promptly wheeled and presented a face to his eccentric partner when he touched the ground—Collier's Weekly.

COULD TAKE THEIR CHOICE.

Booker T. Washington tells a story of travel in the South when he, with a friend, was forced to stop overnight in a little shanty belonging to a negro woman. She welcomed the guests cordially and soon asked them to sit down to supper. She asked his friend if he would have wet or dry sweetening in his coffee, and as the friend did not know what either meant, he said he'd take "wet sweetening." The old woman dipped her finger into the molasses jug and then allowed it to run off her finger into the cup. This performance did not at all please Washington, and he said he'd take "dry sweetening." The old lady brought an almost empty sugar bowl from the cupboard, took out one lump of sugar, bit it in two and dropped one-half into Mr. Washington's cup. Washington said it smelled like delicious coffee, but somehow he did not seem to have much appetite for it—Detroit Free Press.

BOWLING AVERAGES IN LOCAL LEAGUES

Close Race Among the Departmental Teams.

NEW YORKERS MEET DEFEAT

Washingtonians Down One of the Best Organizations in the East.

That Washington has some of the best bowlers in the country was demonstrated on Saturday night, when picked teams of three and five men defeated the New York Bowling Club, which is rated as one of the strongest in the East. The local players were all selected from the District League by Captain Rodrick, of the Fat Men, who has time and again established his claim as the best bowler in Washington in individual matches. Mr. Rodrick's judgment in the selection of his men was excellent, as is demonstrated by the result.

The management of the Palace alleys has arranged individual competition on its alleys for Thanksgiving, and bowlers are taking much interest in the coming matches. It will take at least all day and evening to decide the winner, as there has been a big demand for entrance cards.

Departmental League.

The race for the championship in the Departmental League is more spirited than at any time this season. The Bureau quint still heads the list, with twenty-two victories and eight defeats, holding a slight lead over the Interior, Postoffice, and Commissioners' teams, which are tied for second place, with twenty games won and ten lost.

Hardie's bowling last week was excellent, and he again took the lead, forcing Hough down to second place. Meyers, Crist, Holmericks, Smith, Gorman, and Bunn follow in the order named.

The standing of the teams follows:

	W.	L.	Pct.	H.G.	T.P.	Pct.	Av.
Bureau.....	22	8	.733	965	26,711	.890	890
Interior.....	20	10	.666	966	26,387	.879	879
Postoffice.....	20	10	.666	963	25,735	.837	837
Commissioners.....	20	10	.666	968	26,358	.883	883
Navy Yard.....	16	14	.533	987	25,472	.862	862
G. P. O.....	13	17	.433	951	24,765	.823	823
Agricultural.....	13	17	.433	942	24,167	.805	805
Treasury.....	11	19	.366	952	24,101	.794	794
War.....	11	19	.366	908	21,568	.738	738
C. & L.....	4	26	.133	849	19,956	.739	739

In the District League.

The Saengerbund five stole a march on the other teams in the District League last week and are now ensconced in first position, with a good lead. The Fat Men and Golden Eagles are tied for second place, followed by the Rathskeller team, which has a slight lead over the Aces and Business Men, who are tied for last position. Krauss, Spiess, Goldstein, Crist, Elker, Harlow, Lord and Rodrick are the order in which the leading bowlers rank. The standing of the team follows:

	G.	W.	L.	H.G.	T.P.	Pct.
Saengerbund.....	9	7	2	947	8,149	.777
Fat Men.....	9	5	4	918	7,855	.685
Golden Eagles.....	9	5	4	883	7,590	.553
Rathskeller.....	9	4	5	889	7,834	.444
Aces.....	9	3	6	868	7,919	.324
Business Men.....	9	3	6	913	7,599	.333

Railway Relief Association.

In the Railway Relief Association League, the Eastern five, which did not play last week, still holds a commanding lead over its competitors, having won eleven games and lost one, being three games ahead of its nearest competitors, the Track and Roadway and Clerks' quints. Whitney tops the individuals, followed in order by Staub, Crosby, McIntire, Garber, Dodson, and Jenkins. Following is the standing of the teams:

	Games Played	Won	Lost	Pct.
Eastern.....	12	11	1	.916
Track and Roadway.....	12	8	4	.666
Clerks.....	12	10	2	.666
Northern.....	15	9	6	.600
Southern.....	12	7	5	.583
Mechanical.....	12	6	6	.500
Columbia.....	12	5	7	.416
Northeastern.....	12	3	9	.250
Lighting Company.....	12	2	10	.166
Officers.....	12	2	10	.166

FIRST ENGAGEMENT OF FAMOUS BILL NYE

The late Major Pond managed Bill Nye for several lecture seasons, but their first meeting was rather informal. Nye was one day walking down Fourth Avenue with a friend, when he spied the major's sign in the window of the Everett House.

"Here's the man that incites the lecturers," said Nye; "let's go in and see if we can't induce him to lead a better life."

Entering, Nye removed his hat and ran his hand over the hairless expanse of his head and, after staring about for a moment, said:

"This is Major Pond, I believe?" "Yes, sir. What can I do for you?" answered the major.

"I want to get a job on the platform," returned Nye.

"Ah—yes," said the major slowly. "Have you had any experience?" "Well, I've been before the public for a couple of years."

"Yes? May I ask in what capacity?" "I've been with Barnum. Sat concealed in the bottom of a cabinet and exhibited my head as the largest ostrich egg in captivity," Saturday Evening Post.

FALLS SECOND TO NIAGARA.

Though practically unknown to the world at large, the falls of Iguazu stand second only to Niagara. The Iguazu River forms the boundary between Argentina and Brazil. Twelve miles above its junction with the Parana the river bed bends almost at right angles. The main volume of water, moving with great velocity round the inner or Brazilian bank, rushes into a long, narrow gorge, at one point in which the water makes a clear leap of 250 feet. This gorge does not intercept the whole volume of the river water, and the surplus currents rush out past it into the wide eddy formed by the bend, descending in two leaps of 100 feet each in the horse shoe called the Argentine Falls. The distance from where the waters enter the Brazilian pit to their last cascade on the Argentine side is 6,000 feet—Exchange.

YALE'S TEAM NETS \$50,000 THIS YEAR

Crowds at Princeton and Harvard Games Were Record-Breakers.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Nov. 23.—Never before in the history of football have the crowds turned out in such large numbers to witness the Yale-Princeton and the Yale-Harvard games. With an unprecedented attendance at both the Princeton and Harvard battles, Yale's football receipts of the year will net nearly \$50,000.

It is approximately estimated that Yale's share of the Princeton receipts, taking out the expenses, will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000. There were over 35,000 persons at the game, each of whom paid \$2.50 to see the contest. The receipts were something over \$50,000. With estimated expenses of \$30,000, Yale and Princeton should easily divide \$20,000.

With a crowd of 40,000 at the Cambridge contest, Yale men figure that there should be at least \$75,000 receipts, and allowing \$15,000 for expenses leaves \$60,000 to be divided between the colleges. The actual receipts and expenses of the Yale Football Association will not be known until the annual meeting in January, but with the receipts of the Columbia game in New York and other minor contests it is believed that Yale can easily pay all her football expenses and clean up \$50,000 on the game.

Last year the net receipts were in the neighborhood of \$35,000, but Yale spent \$16,000 in new stands, which detracted from the net income. Her total receipts were \$56,000 last season. This year they will be much larger.

HARVARD STRONGER THAN PRINCETON

Yale Men Rate Crimson Eleven Above the Tiger Team.

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 23.—The Yale football team arrived at New Haven yesterday. The Crimson are all feeling in tip-top condition, and save for the usual scratches and bruises, are none the worse for Saturday's struggle.

Before leaving Boston, Mike Murphy and many of his pupils expressed the opinion that if Harvard and Princeton were to meet on the gridiron this week Harvard would defeat the Tigers. The Yale men have come to this conclusion, as the result of their experience, first against the Tigers and then against Harvard.

They say that they found Harvard's line stiffer than Princeton's, and point to the fact that the Crimson made good gains through the Yale line, against which the Tigers were almost helpless in rushing.

Yale has not yet elected a captain, and will not do so for ten days or two weeks. It is generally conceded that Jim Hogan, the right tackle, will be the successor of Captain Rafferty at New Haven.

Kinney is the only other man mentioned, and he has had only two years' experience on the Blue's team, as compared with the three which Hogan has had.

LACK OF PARTICIPANTS PREVENTS PIGEON RACE

The pigeon race to have taken place yesterday afternoon from Quantico, Va., to Washington, by local bird, was postponed on account of the lack of participants, only two owners reporting.

W. H. Fugitt and another member of the local club sent their birds on the journey simply as an experiment. At 4:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon four of Mr. Fugitt's birds passed into their loft. The owner will be notified what time they left Quantico some time this afternoon. An attempt will be made to hold another race next Sunday.

BOXING AT THE SPA.

Kid Sullivan will meet "Dick, the Kid," in a twenty-round contest at the Spa Athletic Club next Wednesday. The preliminaries have not been arranged.

AN ORGANIST'S APPEAL.

Sir Frederick Bridge, the English musician, is a good story teller, according to T. A. T., and has a fund of personal experiences to draw upon. One of the musician's best stories is about a provincial church organist, who was once a pupil of his. This young man was appointed to an important church in the Midlands. In the course of time he married. During his absence his volunteers were much missed by the congregation. They had always been appreciated, and their renewal was looked forward to.

"Imagine," says Sir Frederick Bridge, "the intense amusement of the people when the newly-married organist gave as his first voluntary upon his return, Handel's 'Waft Her, Angels, to the Skies.'"

DIPLOMA AT AGE OF SIXTY-NINE.

An interesting example of the fact that it is never too late to learn was recently occurred in Belgium. At the State School of Horticulture at Vilvorde, one of the pupils, named Pierre Germain, is sixty-nine years of age, and that age implies, in his case at least, no disability is shown by the fact that he has received his diploma, having passed the "final" with flying colors—Exchange.

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M. J. THOMPSON'S NAME PUT ON ELIGIBLE LIST

Ban Johnson Said to Be Considering Collegian as Manager of the Local Ball Club.

The latest possibility for the management of the Washington Baseball Club is M. J. Thompson, ex-graduate manager of athletics at Georgetown University.

Several of the most prominent stockholders and intimate friends of Ban Johnson have written the rotund president of the American League, commending Mr. Thompson for the position, and it is said that Ban is seriously considering him as a candidate.

Mr. Thompson is well known throughout the country because of his connection with Georgetown University. This fall he has been engaged as referee in many of the big football games. He refereed the Pennsylvania-Harvard game, in which the Indian player, Dillon, hid the ball under his sweater and ran nearly the length of the field for a touchdown. Mr. Thompson allowed the \$50,000 to be given to the team, which he declared it should not have been permitted, but investigation of the rules sustained Mr. Thompson's decision. He is classed as one of the best referees in the country. He has also officiated in many other big games this season, one of them being that between Carlisle and Virginia on Saturday.

Mr. Thompson has also had wide experience in baseball. He knows many of the college players, and, it is said, could probably induce Lynch, of Brown University, who had the best record of any twirler in the United States last season, to come to Washington. It is almost sure that he could get Morgan, the crack Georgetown third baseman, whom Tom Loftis was after.

Because of his ability to sign college men, it is said he is one of the most likely of the candidates.

MUSIC UNDER THE BAN IN CHICAGO SALOONS

Customers Object to Having Their Voices Drowned by Popular Airs Ground Out by Pianos.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—This is the last call for "Hiawatha" and the rest of them. No more restaurant music for Chicago.

Orchestra selections that pleased some customers drove others away. Esthetics could not stand any of it. Then the Restaurant Keepers' Association met and decided to kill music. The murder is planned for tonight.

"Yes," said the manager of Kinsey's, "we stop music. Many people come here and say they want to converse, and all music is an annoyance."

"Could not satisfy everyone," said the manager of the Sherman House. "People have come in here, and on hearing some piece they didn't like, they have gone out. Nothing but china music goes hereafter."

SUSPECTED OF HOLD-UP AT GIRARDVILLE, PA.

TAMAQUA, Pa., Nov. 23.—William Carey and Patrick Brennan, both of Girardville, were arrested yesterday on a charge of burglary and of being involved in the hold-up of Operator John Dalton at the Girardville station of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, about 11:30 o'clock Saturday night. Brennan was identified by Dalton by a ring he wore on the little finger of the right hand and was committed to jail. Carey proved an alibi and was released.

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CENTRAL AND TECH PLAY TOMORROW

Championship of the Local High Schools May Be Decided.

Speculation is rife as to the winner of the inter-high school football championship this season. Three teams are tied, and the game on Georgetown Field promptly at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon between Central and Technical High Schools will either determine the winner or cause a tie of Western, Central and Technical for first position. The consensus of opinion is that Central will defeat Technical, and thereby occasion a tie for the championship, and make it necessary for more games to be played.

At present Western has three scalps, having defeated Eastern, Business, and Central. Technical has defeated Western, Business, and Eastern, while Central has defeated Eastern and Business and has met defeat at the hands of Western on last Wednesday. "Tech" has three victories and no defeats, and unless the Blue and White lads can take some of the wind out of the Manual Training School boys' sails, the championship will go to the latter.

Should the Central team win Western will be given another chance at the championship, and if the Red and White lads are in anything like the condition they were when Central's banner was walloped in the mire, Technical's chances of winning the championship will be lessened.

ALEXANDRIA NEWS NOTES

(Special to The Washington Times.)

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Nov. 23.—Maud L. Vondurant, fifteen-year-old daughter of Albert B. and Laura Vondurant, died at her parents' home, 295 North Patrick Street, yesterday afternoon. Her remains were sent to Lynchburg for interment.

DAMAGED IN COLLISION.

An engine of the Southern Railway Company sideswiped a car loaded with turkeys, which was standing on a side track near the corner of Patrick and Wilkes Streets yesterday. The car was not damaged, but a hole was made in the tender of the locomotive.

IN MAYOR'S COURT.

In the mayor's court, the Hon. George L. Simpson presiding, Walter Newton, charged with assaulting Joseph Gilmartin, forfeited his collateral by failing to appear when his name was called.

HIGH SCHOOL VICTOR.

By the score of 86 to 6, the eleven of the Episcopal High School defeated the team from Randolph Macon College at the High School grounds last Saturday. This victory makes the High School men the champion football players of any of the smaller colleges in the State.

IN THE CHURCHES.

The churches of Alexandria all had large congregations yesterday, and several visiting ministers occupied pulpits. At the Immanuel Lutheran Church the services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Schweder.

At the First Baptist Church the Rev. J. B. Bozeman, of Campbellsville, Ky., conducted the services and preached.

At the Methodist Episcopal Church South, the Rev. Dr. George L. Hunt occupied the pulpit.

At St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Rev. Father Sullivan, C. S. P., preached the sermon at the 10:30 o'clock mass. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock the retreat was brought to a close with a sermon by the Rev. Father Sullivan, which was followed by benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY VS. VIRGINIA NORMAL

Teams Will Meet Thanksgiving Day on the Local Eleven's Gridiron.

Howard University will have as its opponent on Thanksgiving Day, on its own gridiron, the Virginia Normal and Industrial Institute. The game will be called at 3 o'clock.

As both teams weigh about the same and have good records, a close game is looked for by the members of both institutions. The Virginia boys are credited with a victory over the strong Union team, of Richmond, by the score of 22 to 0, but were defeated by Shaw University, 6 to 0. The local university band will escort the Howard contingent to the grounds at 2 o'clock on the day of the battle. On Friday, Howard will leave Washington for Richmond, where it will play Union University's eleven.

YOUNG SHIELDS WANTS TO FIGHT.

To Sporting Editor The Washington Times: I would like to meet some man weighing 120 in one of the preliminaries to the Kid Sullivan-Dick the Kid fight at the Spa Athletic Club next Wednesday night. I have fought in several preliminaries, and I think I will render good account of myself. I may be found at Tenth and H Streets northeast. "YOUNG SHIELDS."

Washington, D. C., Nov. 23.

UNIONS TO MEET.

Two Alexandria unions will meet this week. The Retail Merchants' Protective Association will meet in the rooms of the Business Men's League tonight at 8 o'clock. On tomorrow night the Retail Clerks' Union will hold a meeting in Pythian Hall.

ALL STARS TO PLAY.

The Alexandria Athletic Association eleven and the All Stars, of Washington, will play a game of football in this city on next Thursday, Thanksgiving Day.

TO HOLD UNION SERVICE.

On Thanksgiving Day the three Methodist churches of the city will hold a union service. It will be in the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and the Rev. J. A. Jeffers, of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, will deliver the sermon. The collection taken up at the service will be for the benefit of the Alexandria Hospital.

LONDON RAGPICKER STRUCK A FORTUNE

Bought Barrel Containing Three Hundred Dollars and Eight Cents.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—In consequence of the armed burglar scare at Ilford, Mrs. Scholes, who lives with her husband and family in Gordon Road, took unusual means to secure the safety of her valuables before going out to spend the evening.

In a cash box she placed nearly £30 in gold and bank notes, a gold watch valued at £20, the title deeds of some property and several insurance policies. After carefully locking the box she placed it in a linen basket filled with rags, which stood in the back garden.

Next morning a rag-and-bone man called, and the servant, with her mistress's permission, sold him the contents of the basket for fourpence. Soon after he had gone Mrs. Scholes remembered the cash box, but the collector had disappeared, and all efforts to trace him have failed.

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